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Classified Ads

Minimum charge of 15c, or five cents a line, counting five words to the line. Positively no ads will be taken for this column without cash in advance, as items are too small to take the trouble to enter charge accounts.

FOR SALE—RESIDENCE PROPERTY

FOR SALE—Eight room house, modern. Inquire Mrs. W. H. Baker, 120 Court. 36-5-p

SURE THEY'RE BARGAINS—Two choice building lots close in. One good four-room house, price \$600. A nice five-room house for \$1000. Seven-room bungalow, good lot for \$1750. Four-room house for \$1100. Small house for \$700. Small payments and easy terms. If you want a cheap house we have them. A number of modern houses on easy terms. Parnell & Boyd, Bartley block, both phones. 39-1-c

TO RENT—ROOMS

FOR RENT—6 very desirable rooms in suites or separate. Inquire at this office. 37-1-f-c

FOR RENT—Rooms suitable for gentlemen, 416 Maple ave. 29-f-c

FOR RENT—Two nicely furnished bedrooms, one block from Wright House, 109 W. Downey. 39-1-p

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping, 512 Park ave. 39-1-p

FOR RENT—Six furnished rooms, Inquire 528 College. Union phone 327. 39-1-s

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Light, heat, water, close in. 502 Park st. 39-1-p

FOR RENT—Two pleasant light-housekeeping rooms, furnished complete. Call at 203 East End St. 39-1-p

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Competent maid at once. Good wages. No. 357 Bell. 39-1-c

WANTED—Girl to work in ice cream parlor. DeLuxe Candy Co. 39-2-c

WANTED—At once salesman to take good established tea, coffee, baking powder route. Alma, St. Louis, and surrounding territory. Write 516 Genesee street, Saginaw, East Side, Mich. 39-3-p

WANTED—An industrious boy to work on farm. 532 Highland. 39-1-p

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—Single comb Minorca eggs, \$8.00 per hundred. \$1.25 per setting. Carrie Sandel, 108-18-11, Union. 37-6-p

FOR SALE—Used Dodge touring car in very fine condition. Run less than 3,000 miles. See G. S. Young at Cedar Lodge, Alma. 36-3-p

FOR SALE—Pair good work horses, weight 2,000, 1/2 mile northeast of truck plant, between Alma and St. Louis, angling road. Inquire Bert Kitteridge. 36-1-f-c

FOR SALE—Seven horse gasoline engine. Also blacksmithing outfit, just the thing for contractors, farmers or any handy man. See G. S. Young, Cedar Lodge, Alma. 36-3-p

FOR SALE—About six tons of hay in barn, also 8 crates of seed corn, 1917 crop. Grafton ave., 1 mile south of Superior. Bell phone 42-11-28. E. S. Hubbell. 39-1-p

FOR SALE—Good ten-year-old work horse for sale cheap. One and one-half miles west, one-half mile north of Forrest Hill, John Katenhouse. 39-1-p

FOR SALE—Three-burner oil stove. 124 Michigan. Bell phone 197. 39-1-c

FOR SALE—Two bookcases nearly new. 252 Ely St. 39-1-c

FOR SALE—Some Gratiot county grown seed corn, also limited quantity of northern grown pea beans. W. T. Naldrrett. Union phone 264. 39-1-c

FOR SALE—Second hand household furniture for sale. Inquire at 130 Grafton ave. 39-1-c

TO RENT—HOUSES

FOR RENT—Good house and garage on Grafton Ave. Inquire Henry McNamara. 38-2-c

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Ladies' pocketbook in hand stand, Masonic park, Friday. Finder return to Record office. 39-1-p

LOST—Vest pocket kodak, Saturday somewhere between Wright Hall and Turk's woods. Reward. Bess Brown at Wright hall. 39-1-p

LOST—Contractor's road plow. Name Wm. Bartling on beam. Reward for information leading to the recovery of same. Bartling & Holmes. 39-1-c

MISCELLANEOUS

A Five Year Guaranteed House Paint, \$2.00 per gallon, delivered. Why pay more? Cook, The Paint Man, 109 Court, Alma. 31-10-p

STORAGE—For household goods. Inquire of Simon Messenger or Albert Hudson. 35-1-f-c

WANTED—Fifteen cows to pasture. Inquire at 209 East End St. Jacob Cross. 39-1-p

WANTED—To rent 10 acres of good potato ground. TO BUY—Second hand repeating rifle, 32 and guitar hand repeating rifle, 32, and guitar St. 39-1-p

NOTICE—Parties wishing carpenter work, repairing, cellar digging, contract work, painting, etc., call on or address Vernon Donovan, 170 Meyer ave. 39-1-c

NOTICE—I wish to marry a lady from 30 to 45. Shepherd, Mich. R. F. D. No. 2, Box 2. 39-2-p

NOTICE

Good seed, beans and northern grown field peas. Prices right. 39-1-c Alma Roller Mills.

NOTICE

The special Sewer tax for the several sewer districts in said City of Alma for the year 1917 are now due. I will be at the office of Sharrar and Watson to receive said taxes any time for the next thirty days. Alma, Mich., April 4, 1918. (38-1-f-c) D. W. ADAMS, City Treas.

Mothers and Children.

No one can tell us exactly the things it is best to do with children. But if we begin to watch and think, read when we can and exchange experiences with other mothers, many suggestions will be found to meet our needs. Take a glimpse backward into your own childhood and many ideas will occur to you in that way. And through it all we will find that the children are helping to bring us up, too. Courage and joy prolong life, and we can well afford to stand and wait, feeling sure that if our motives have been right, and we can find something to love even in the hard things of life, our little ones will see and know, and will "rise up and call us blessed." Exchange.

The Way of Investigations.

Very few investigations hold up in a way that makes them as interesting at the finish as they were at the start.

OPEN SEASON

Tied Game With Normals and Lost to M. A. C.

OPENING GAME

Thursday Helmer pitted his green team against Mt. Pleasant Normal to test their metal before the trip to M. A. C. The game proved not to be a test of fielding but a pitcher's battle. Each team garnered four hits and two runs before the snow storm set in in the seventh and stopped play. Boyne and Spink, the Shepherd star, seemed to be evenly matched. Each had a world of speed and a fast breaking curve which fooled the batters completely.

There is little to say of this game because about all that either team did was to walk three men up to the plate and then run out to the field and watch the other team do the same thing. Alma started her two runs in the third on a walk to Smith and two errors, the last one a fly to left by Boyne. Mt. Pleasant came right back and scored a single by Spink and a double by Vincent. They tied it up in the sixth on a hit by Wilson, two stolen bases and an error at second.

ALMA

	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Graham, c.	4	0	0	16	1	0
Smith, 3b	3	1	1	0	0	1
Pelton, c. f.	4	1	1	0	0	0
Boyne, p.	4	0	1	0	2	0
Ardis, ss	3	0	0	0	0	0
Richards, l. f.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Sturtridge, 1b	2	0	0	3	0	0
Seeley, r. f.	2	0	0	0	0	0
Warner, 2b	3	0	1	2	0	1
Totals	28	2	4	21	3	2

MT. PLEASANT

	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Abbott, ss	4	0	0	0	0	0
Wilson, c	2	1	1	14	1	2
Middaugh, l. f.	3	0	0	0	0	1
Spink, p.	3	1	1	0	1	0
Vincent, r. f.	3	0	1	0	0	0
Taylor, 2b	3	0	0	1	0	0
Middleworth, 1b	1	0	0	4	0	0
Finch, 3b	3	0	0	1	0	1
Lowery, c. f.	3	0	0	2	0	0
Totals	25	2	4	21	3	3

Pitching summary—4 hits and 2 runs off Boyne in 7 innings; 4 hits and 2 runs off Spink in 7 innings. Bases on balls—off Boyne 2, off Spink 2. Hit by pitcher—by Boyne, Middleworth, by Spink, Sturtridge. Stolen bases—Smith, Pelton, Warner, Wilson, Spink, Vincent, Middleworth 2. Two-base hit—Vincent.

M. A. C. GAME

Saturday Alma invaded the M. A. C. sanctuary to uphold the reputation gained by our team on that same field last fall. But fate and nature ruled that we should not duplicate the feat of our football team. Fate ruled that several should be sick and unable to play near the game they are capable of and nature ruled that our pitcher should be a trifle off form for having to pitch with only one day's rest.

The team started the game with the same lineup as Thursday with the exception of Seeley being shifted to second in the place of Warner and Chadwick going to right field. "Chad" played an exceptionally good game in the garden, pulling down a drive that had a two-base ticket tied to it and he met the ball on the nose a couple of times but didn't have it aimed right. In hitting, our team outdid M. A. C. getting ten to their nine but in fielding we were below them. They pulled a number of good plays which helped their pitcher out while only two were credited to our

team; one by Boyne himself stopping a grounder through his position that was going a mile a minute and one by Smith who grabbed a hot one and cut off a run at the plate with a perfect peg.

Alma started strong getting one run in the first on a hit by Smith followed by a two-base hit to the grandstand by Boyne. They added another in the fourth on some good base running by Richards. Two were counted in the fifth on an error, a hit by Pelton, his second, a sacrifice and Boyne's second double. They laid out until the ninth, when three more were added on Pelton's third hit, a fielder's choice, a single by Boyne and one by Graham.

	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Pelton, c. f.	5	2	3	1	0	0
Smith, 3b	5	2	1	1	2	1
Boyne, p.	5	1	3	1	3	1
Ardis, ss	4	0	0	0	0	0
Graham, c.	5	0	2	11	0	0
Richards, l. f.	5	1	0	0	0	0
Seeley, 2b	3	0	1	1	1	1
Sturtridge, 1b	4	0	0	7	0	1
Chadwick, r. f.	3	1	0	1	0	0
Totals	39	7	10	24	6	4

	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Kellogg, 2b	4	2	0	1	2	1
Hayes, c. f.	3	1	0	0	0	0
Snider, c. f.	3	1	0	0	0	0
Andrews, 3b	4	1	1	0	0	0
Hammes, 1b	3	2	2	0	0	0
Demond, p.	5	1	2	0	2	0
Peters, ss	1	2	0	3	0	0
Kotila, ss	1	0	0	0	0	0
Johnston, r. f.	5	2	2	1	0	0
Collinson, c.	1	0	10	0	0	0
Donnelly, p.	2	2	1	0	0	0
Douscher, l. f.	5	1	1	2	0	0
Totals	37	16	9	27	6	1

Two-base hits—Boyne 2, Douscher. Three-base hits—Snider, Hammes, Demond, Donnelly. Struck out—by Boyne 10, by Demond 5, by Donnelly 3. Bases on balls—off Boyne 11, off Demond 1, off Donnelly 1. Hit by pitcher—by Boyne 3.

Widow's Short Time of Mourning.

In the territory of the French Congo there is a tribe whose institution of mourning for widows is tolerant. The duration of widowhood depends there on the wind. After the death of her husband the inconsolable widow is compelled to place a flag on the roof of her house. So long as the flag does not stir the widow must not turn her thoughts away from the departed; no sooner, however, is the flag agitated by the wind, and he it the slightest breeze, she not only is free, but almost in duty bound, to remarry. Such, at least, is required by the custom. The wind test is not required if the husband happened to die on a stormy day. In this event it is not necessary at all that the much afflicted widow plant the flag on her house to console herself with a new husband.

Early Egyptian Wills.

Precious little is known about the manner of settlement of disputes possible to arise from disagreements connected with the execution of wills at the earliest date in Egyptian history. That there were law courts, disputants and judges is beyond doubt, although exact pictures of law courts are exceedingly difficult to imagine. Since wills were perhaps common only among the most wealthy nobles, there would be little reason to believe that trials which might result from them did not sometimes take place in the king's court.

The Clever Man.

The Los Angeles Express has an idea that a clever man is one who never attempts to do things he knows he can't.

Value of Fresh Air.

A few years ago ten Indian chiefs came to Hampton Institute in Virginia, where so many Indian young people are educated. The principal chief made a speech before the institute, the burden of which was the cure the government was bestowing upon the young Indians. "But," he said, with marked emphasis, "we do not want you to educate our boys and girls in these buildings. Educate them out of doors. In the fresh air. You teach them here many good things, preparing them for useful lives; but they come home and die of tuberculosis. Give them fresh air." And he was right, absolutely. All travelers among wild tribes, even in the Arctic regions, testify to the fact that pneumonia is almost unknown among such peoples. When we learn the importance of rendering our systems immune to these germs of keeping our lungs filled with pure air, sleep out of doors during the warmer months, if you can, and in the colder seasons have your sleeping rooms filled with fresh air, if you desire to enjoy health and efficiency. Hunters and trappers will abide in water all day and sleep all night in their wet garments and yet not catch cold. Dr. W. H. Vail, in The Christian Herald.

All in the Point of View.

A young lawyer in Florida was running for office, says Everybody's Magazine, and undertook to cultivate the acquaintance of all the country people for miles round—with the idea of getting votes. One evening he stopped his horse in front of a little cabin and inquired of the old man at the door whether he might spend the night at his home. "Sure, partner," said the old man. "Stop and light." The lawyer followed him into the cabin. There was only one room, and in a corner of it was stretched a bear-skin, the trophy of a hunt, and the only bed of the hunter. A pumpkin served as a pillow. In answer to the lawyer's inquiring look, the host pointed to the bear-skin and said with great magnanimity: "Stranger, I tell you what we'll do—ye take the pumpkin and the bear-skin, and I'll rough it."

Do Something You Dislike Each Day.

A writer in the American Magazine says: "There is only one way to keep the will active, and that is by exercising it. The will is like the muscles, for even the finest of athletes soon gets out of condition unless he exercises. A man ought to do every day something that he does not care to do, just for the sake of exercising his will. That sort of exercise keeps it in condition ready for the harder things of life when they occur, and above all, prepared for emergencies that may spring up. The doctrine of preparedness is much better understood now than it was at the beginning of last year. It is as true for the individual as for the nation. It may cost a good deal of time and energy and money, but it saves in the end."

Commercial Woods.

Our commercial woods are divided into two large classes—the hardwoods, or woods from broad-leaved trees, and the softwoods, or conifers, which are woods from trees with needle or scale-like leaves. There is a third class, represented by the palms and yuccas, but it is of minor importance. The terms "hardwood" and "softwood" give a wrong impression, however, for some so-called softwoods, as yellow pine and tamarack, are considerably harder than many hardwoods; and some so-called hardwoods— for example, cottonwood and basswood—are almost as soft as the softest conifers. These terms have been in use so long, however, that their meaning is well established.

Without Oil.

A tactless man is, in the running of his affairs, like an engineer who runs his locomotive without oil, whether it is through ignorance or just to show what can be done. Both men come to grief before they have gone very far.

California Efficiency.

There is an efficiency man in San Diego who carries his profession to excess. He has a girl who lives in Los Angeles. He visits her every Sunday and writes every day. For want of a new topic the girl asked him in a recent communication if he really did like her eyes. In reply the e. m. replied: "Replying to your inquiry of even date, beg to refer you to my letter, February 24, 1917, wherein the subject was treated exhaustively."—San Diego Union.

If I Were a Farmer

If I were a farmer I would keep at hand a few reliable medicines for minor ailments that are not so serious as to require the attention of a physician, such as Chamberlain's Cough and Diarrhoea Remedy for bowel complaints.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, colds and croup. Chamberlain's Liniment for sprains, bruises and rheumatic pains. Chamberlain's Tablets for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation. This would repair an outlay of only \$1.10. By having these articles at hand it would often save the trouble of a trip to town in the busiest season or at night, and would enable me to treat slight ailments as soon as they appear, and thereby avoid the more serious diseases that so often follow.

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